

Parkview School District

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Dear Community Members,

Do you know a student or family that may be in need of assistance? Many families in Wisconsin have found themselves to be families in transition without a place to call home. The Parkview School District is committed to assisting all homeless students receive the best education possible.

As part of our support to the families in this community we are asking that you hang these posters in your community location. We appreciate your support and help in better serving students in our district. We also ask that you share the enclosed brochure if you have a family in need. You may also assist the family by completing the Parkview School District McKinney-Vento Homeless Form and return it to Karen Strandt-Conroy at the Parkview School District.

Included on these posters is information regarding the McKinney-Vento Act that defines homeless children and youth (twenty-one years of age and younger) as:

- Children and youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, and includes children and youth who are:
 - sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason (sometimes referred to as double-up);
 - living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to lack of alternative,
 - adequate accommodations;
 - living in emergency or transitional shelters;
 - abandoned in hospitals;
 - > or awaiting foster care placement.
- Children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designated for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.
- Children and youth who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings.
- Migratory children who qualify as homeless because they are living in circumstances described above.

If you have any questions regarding this request please contact Karen Strandt-Conroy, Director of Student Services for the Parkview School District at (608) 879-2956 or kstrandt@email.parkview.k12.wi.us.

Thank you for your support,

Karen Strandt-Conroy